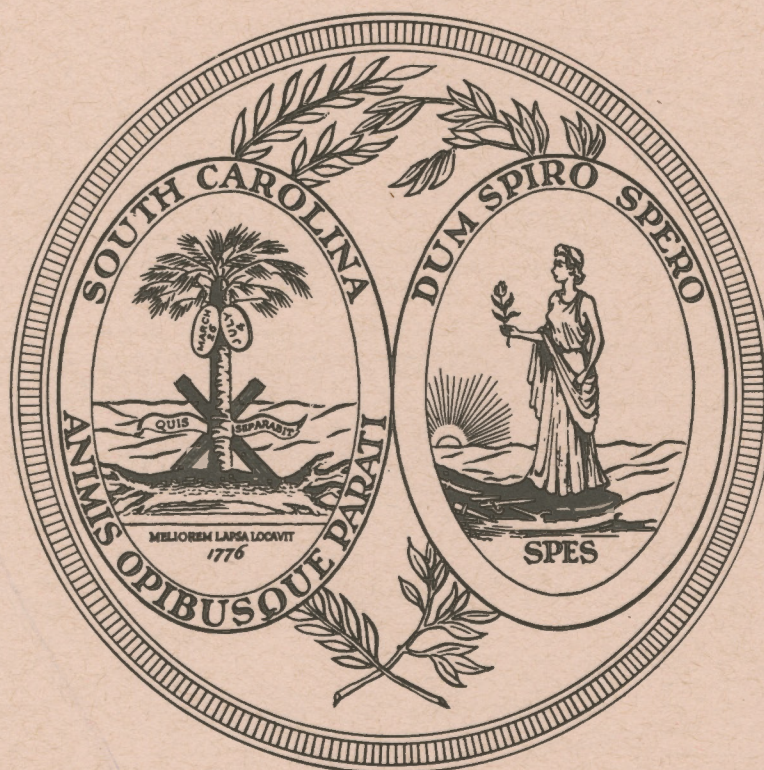


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Enclosed is the second Annual Report from the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995.

This report attempts to reflect the activities and development of the Agency during this period. Any additional information desired can be obtained from this office.

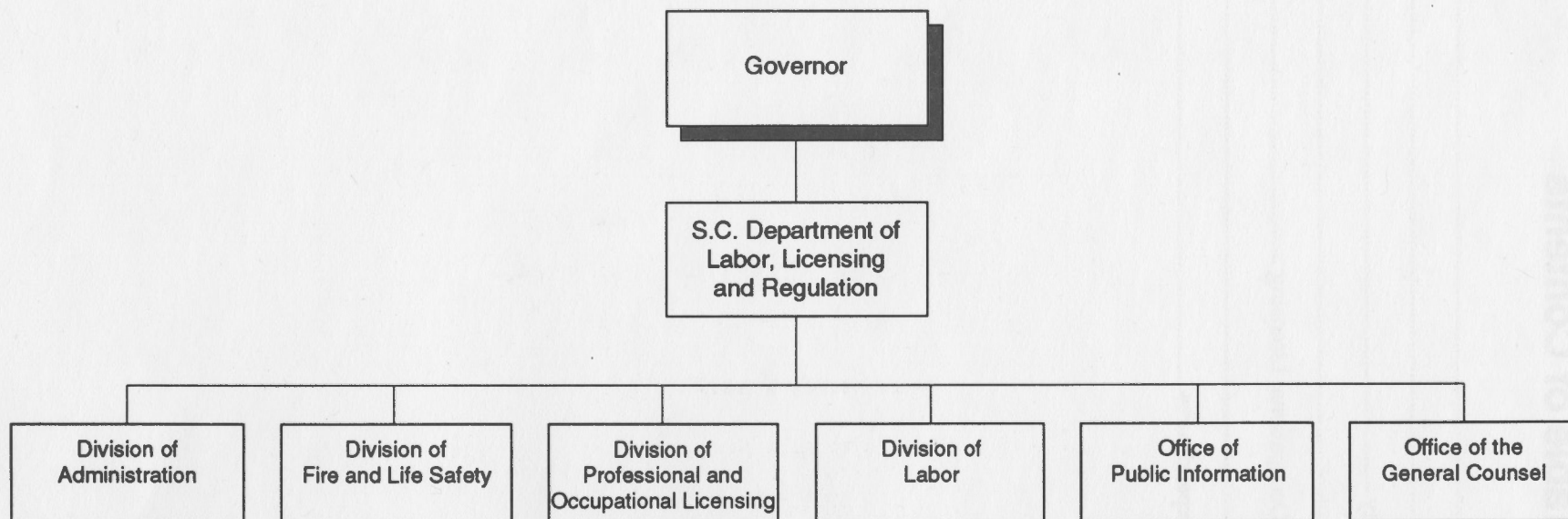
Respectfully submitted,

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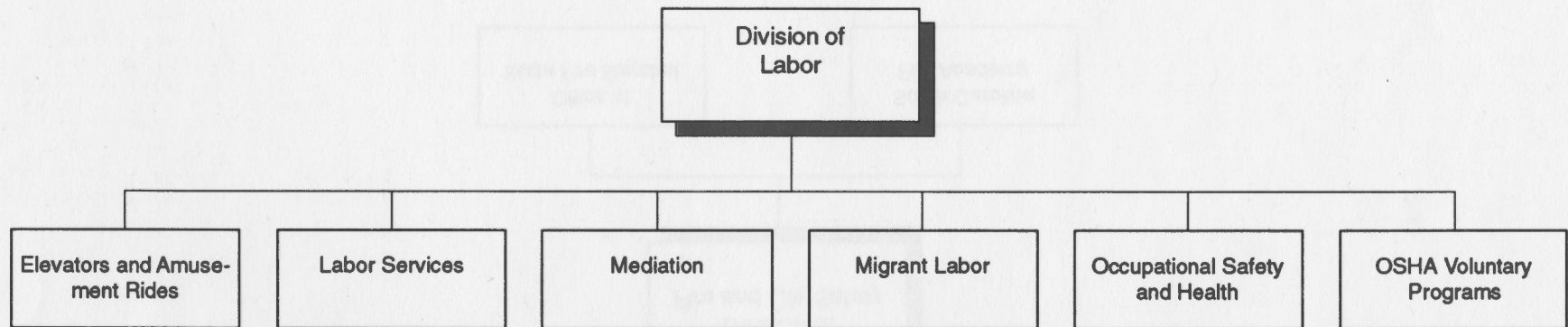
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**Division of
Fire and Life Safety**

**Office of
State Fire Marshal**

**South Carolina
Fire Academy**



Division of
Professional and
Occupational Licensing



Agency History

The South Carolina Legislature restructured a significant portion of state government in 1993. Effective Feb. 1, 1994, Act 181 created the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR). It merged the Department of Labor, State Fire Marshal's Office, and 38 professional and occupational licensing boards to form the new Agency.

The legislation empowered the governor to appoint a director of the Agency with the advice and consent of the Senate.

LLR has been organized into four divisions: Administration, Fire and Life Safety, Labor, and Professional and Occupational Licensing.

DIVISION OF FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY

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Background

The Division of Fire and Life Safety serves as the fire safety focal point for South Carolina, maintaining a statewide delivery system for fire prevention, protection, and training services. Leadership, guidance, and services needed by the public and private fire services to carry out their responsibilities at the local level are provided. The Division consists of the Office of State Fire Marshal and the South Carolina Fire Academy.

Key Staff

State Fire MarshalLewis Lee

Fire Academy SuperintendentBilly Frost

Responsibilities

Statutory responsibilities for the primary programs of the Division are as follows:

Code Enforcement (23-9-10 through 23-9-180):

Charges the State Fire Marshal with responsibility for requiring compliance with national and state-adopted fire safety codes and standards issued by the Division of Fire and Life Safety and the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board and gives authority to the State Fire Marshal to inspect buildings for codes compliance.

South Carolina Fire Academy (23-10-10):

Charges the Fire Academy with the operation of a training facility to upgrade the state's fire service personnel — paid, volunteer, and industrial.

Programs

Office of State Fire Marshal

The Office of State Fire Marshal has regulatory responsibility to ensure compliance with state fire safety regulations. This task is accomplished through inspection activities by deputy state fire marshals in the field and by code consultation and plans review services provided by the Engineering Services Section. Fire prevention activities aimed at reducing the state's fire death rate are managed by the Public Fire Safety Education Section. Activities include the distribution of smoke detectors, programs in the schools to educate youth, and the dissemination of timely fire safety information to the public.

Public Fire Safety Education

Fire Death Statistics

A reduction in fire deaths during 1994 has broken the trend of South Carolina's escalating fire death rate. Historically, South Carolina has continued to rank among the worst states in the nation with the highest fire death rates, according to statistics released by the U.S. Fire Administration. Statistics for 1994 show that 120 people lost their lives due to fire, five less than the previous year. The leading cause of fire deaths during this time is attributed to heating and smoking related incidents.

Get Alarmed, South Carolina!

The "Get Alarmed, South Carolina!" program is a fire safety awareness program with its main objective to lower fire deaths in South Carolina. There are two main goals associated with the program: 1) To alarm citizens about the fire problem and teach about fire safety through an ongoing public awareness campaign; and 2) To provide smoke detectors to high-risk citizens throughout the state. Through a collaborative effort of this office, the local fire service, community-based organizations, other state agencies, and industry, more than 200,000 smoke detectors have been provided to at-risk citizens of South Carolina. During the past year, county coordinators were appointed and educational materials developed and disseminated to them for distribution within their respective counties. In addition, public service announcements were developed and aired statewide by radio and television stations to enhance printed fire safety materials.

Fire Safety Curriculum For Public Schools

"Freddie's Fire Smart Kids" is a comprehensive fire safety educational curriculum program for students in kindergarten through first grade. Using the state's public school system as its delivery mechanism, this curriculum has reached more than 40,000 students to date. We have entered into the developmental stages of a second- and third-grade curriculum, which will be implemented and marketed in a similar method, to be piloted in the fall of 1995. The fire safety curriculum was developed through collaborative efforts of the Office of State Fire Marshal and Clemson University, with funding provided by Insurance Services.

Public Fire Education Task Force

A task force was appointed to address the seriousness of the fire problem in the state and to assist in outlining a master plan to combat this problem. Representatives from state fire service related associations and other well-known public fire educators gave input to the statewide plan of action for the public fire education efforts.

South Carolina Fire Incident Reporting System

State law requires that the Division collect and analyze data on fire incidents. Presently, more than 200 fire departments submit information on the types of calls they respond to each month, whether fire or non-fire incidents. These departments are strategically located throughout South Carolina, providing a more accurate overview of the fires experienced. The reporting system captures information about the various activities of the fire service in addition to collecting casual factors on fire situations. With fire-related incidents, deaths, and injuries, information is gathered and used at the local, state, and federal levels. This information assists in identifying problem areas and developing programs to directly impact the specific fire problems identified. Statistical information derived from this system also allows for monitoring and evaluating programs to determine their effectiveness in reducing the overall fire problem.

Inspection Services

Inspections for Codes Compliance

Fire safety codes compliance was the primary responsibility mandated to the Division at its inception. Today, inspections continue as one of the core functions. Inspections by 18 deputy state fire marshals are conducted throughout the state.

L P Gas Licensing

During 1994-95, the Division issued licenses to 616 LP-gas companies and, as a result, deposited \$65,600 to the general fund.

Fees Charged for Fire Equipment Licenses and Permits

The Division issued licenses to 122 fire equipment (extinguisher) companies. In addition, 49 individuals employed by licensed fire equipment companies were issued permits. A deposit of \$22,020 was made to the general fund as a result of this program.

Firemen's Insurance and Inspection Fund

As required in 23-9-360, the Division received quarterly reports and equipment certificates from 438 member fire departments of the South Carolina State Firemen's Association. As a record keeping function, the division verifies to county treasurers that the participating fire departments have submitted the proper forms and are in compliance to receive monies rebated on funds collected from insurance premiums.

Appeals of State Fire Marshal Decisions

The appeals process was changed by state government reorganization legislation. Appeals are now heard by administrative law judges. No decisions of the State Fire Marshal were appealed in fiscal year 1994-95.

State Fire Marshal Certification Program

The purpose of this program is to train and certify local public fire inspection personnel to act on behalf of the state fire marshal in identifying violations of state fire safety regulations. During fiscal year 1994-95, the division trained and certified 87 new fire inspectors. Through certification and recertification, \$4,350 was generated in gross revenue.

Engineering Services

Plans Review

During fiscal year 1994-95, 470 project plans were reviewed by the Engineering Services Section.

SOUTH CAROLINA FIRE ACADEMY

The Academy's mission is to develop an instructional delivery system through which a standardized statewide firefighter training curriculum is developed and implemented to train a maximum number of career, volunteer, and industrial fire service personnel. Services are provided to accomplish the following activities: developing the skills necessary to command and control emergency operations involving fire, rescue, and hazardous materials incidents; developing the managerial and leadership skills for all levels of fire service officers; and developing skills in fire department support functions to include public fire education, fire prevention, inspections, and investigations.

The Academy has three separate main program areas: Resident Training, Regional Training, and Curriculum, Instructor Certification and Accreditation. There are an estimated 800 fire departments with 18,000 paid and volunteer firefighters and 4,500 fire brigade members in South Carolina. Last year, the Academy trained about 14,000 public fire service personnel and 2,000 private fire brigade members in 1,200 courses statewide. Approval of accreditation for Industrial Fire Brigades is expected in the near future. This accreditation would make South Carolina the first fire brigade in the country to have a certified industrial fire brigade program.

Resident Training

The Academy had its grand opening for the new 208-acre facility on July 12, 1995 with Governor Beasley serving as the keynote speaker. The new facility is off Monticello Road and is the largest state fire-training complex in the country. It features modern classrooms, a 60-room dormitory, cafeteria, auditorium, drill tower, seven-acre lake for diver training, six-bay fire station, student processing center, two burn buildings, flammable liquid and gas training pads, and two FAA-funded aircraft training props, which are computer controlled. Classrooms have been used to conduct courses at the new site since December 1993. Other facilities were available in July 1995.

Classes at the seven-acre Academy, located adjacent to Columbia Metro Airport, were discontinued in July. LLR is presently working with the Budget and Control Board to comply with all applicable standards to clean up the former site.

The Academy signed an agreement with the Hoechst Celanese Corp. to provide training for all its plants in the Southeast Region. Hoechst Celanese will close its fire training school in Rock Hill and construct two large flammable liquid and gas props at the new site as well as donate its fire training equipment from the school. Construction on these pods is well under way at the printing time of this report.

Curriculum, Accreditation, and Certification

The Academy operates an instructor certification system for 500 to 600 part-time instructors, who teach Academy courses in their fire departments. The certification system requires entry level and recertification requirements and consists of courses in instructor methodology as well as fire specific programs. The program is a key element in delivery of 90 percent of all Academy off-campus training.

Curriculum development efforts this past year have been devoted to upgrading the Academy's basic firefighter course, which meets the minimum requirements of LLR's OSHA Standard for Interior Firefighting, and developing resident courses to support the opening of the new facility.

The Academy operates a Firefighter Certification program for the state's fire service personnel and is accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress, which is operated by Oklahoma State University. The Academy's program consists of five separate certification areas with another 25 potential certification levels possible. Last year, the Academy provided testing and certified about 300 firefighters.

Regional Training

The Academy operates six regional offices (four staffed with full-time personnel), which deliver off-campus services statewide. Last year, the Academy trained about 16,000 students with 13,000 public fire service personnel being trained through the regional office network. A training concept known as "Train the Trainer," where the Academy trains the public fire department's training staff in educational methodology and specific fire courses, produced 90 percent of all students trained through regional offices. This system is efficient in that the Academy issues certificates and maintains course records, but does not provide salary compensation or travel for instructor services. It does supervise and oversee the training for course quality and standard compliance.

DIVISION OF LABOR

Office of Elevators and Amusement Rides

The Office was created in 1986 to administer the South Carolina Elevator Code and the South Carolina Amusement Ride Safety Code. To ensure compliance with both, the licensing staff of 10 inspectors conducts inspections of new and existing elevator facilities and amusement rides.

Elevator Safety Inspections

Under Chapter 16 of Title 41 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976 (as amended), the Office of Elevators and Amusement Rides administers regulations governing construction, alteration and installation of new elevators, escalators, dumbwaiters, handicapped lifts, and moving walks. It also administers safety standards for existing facilities. All safety standards are national consensus standards as published by the American National Standards Institute. The Office and the special inspectors it licenses inspect elevator facilities and issue operating certificates.

Since registration of elevators formally began in July 1986, 6,065 elevators have been registered in South Carolina. Those counties registering the highest number of elevators were Richland, Charleston, Greenville and Horry. A total of 6,114 inspections were conducted of elevator facilities, which include passenger and freight elevators, escalators, dumbwaiters, man-lifts and handicapped lifts. Fees for inspections by the Office of Elevators and Amusement Rides are based on the contract price for new elevators under construction or on the number of floors served by an existing elevator. Those fees amounted to about \$632,795 for inspections conducted during fiscal year 1994-95. Inspection fees charged by LLR and its special inspectors are set by regulation no more than once a year. Of the 6,114 inspections, 1,018 were performed by six special inspectors licensed by LLR.

Fines and re-inspection fees for elevators that did not comply with state laws totaled \$6,195 for this fiscal year.

Elevator Inspection Activity

Fiscal Year 1994-95

Annual inspections	4,417
Construction turnover	203
Construction temps	168
Re-inspections	186
Complaint	13
Accident	5
Alteration inspection	104
Total conducted by	
Agency inspectors	5,096
Special inspector	
inspections	1,018

The Office of Elevators and Amusement Rides issued 5,179 operating certificates for elevators determined to be in compliance with the S.C. Elevator Code and Regulations, 213 permits for construction of new elevator facilities, and 92 alteration permits for existing elevators. Twenty-seven of these were handicapped lifts.

Amusement Ride Safety Inspections

Under Chapter 18 of Title 41 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976 (as amended), the Office of Elevators and Amusement Rides administers regulations to guard against injuries in the assembly, disassembly and use of amusement devices at carnivals, fairs, and amusement parks. The Office and the special inspectors it licenses inspect amusement devices and issue operating permits. Inspection fees are based on the type of device being inspected and are set by regulation no more than once a year.

During fiscal year 1994-95, the Office issued 842 operating permits for amusement devices and collected \$70,800 in inspection fees. A total of 979 inspections were conducted on amusement devices. No inspections were conducted by special inspectors.

Fines and re-inspection fees that did not comply with state laws totaled \$1,000 this fiscal year.

Amusement Device Inspection Activity Fiscal Year 1994-95

Initial Inspection	842
Accident	3
Re-inspection	134
Complaint	0

Office of Labor Services

Wages

It is the responsibility of the Office of Labor Services--Wages to enforce the South Carolina labor laws regarding payment of wages and child labor.

In 1986, the Office was given new responsibilities and authority by passage of Act No. 412, a complete revision of the Payment of Wages Law. As signed by the governor on April 21, 1986, this Act requires employers to give written notice to employees of certain key provisions of their wages, to pay according to this notice, and to keep records of the payments. LLR is authorized to make inspections, issue warnings and citations, and assess civil penalties for violations of the Act.

In 1989, the Office was given new responsibilities by passage of Act No. 209, which is an amendment to state child labor laws as signed by the Governor on June 8, 1989. The amendment allows the Agency to make findings concerning employers who engage in any oppressive child labor actions, to issue warnings, and to assess civil penalties.

During fiscal year 1994-95, 1,677 businesses were investigated; 1,009 warnings were issued for violations of the record keeping requirements of §41-10-30; and 714 citations were issued for violations of §41-10-40, payment of wages, accounting for \$113,600 in assessed penalties.

Wage-Related Activity Fiscal Year 1994-95

Complaints received	1,677
Complaints investigated	1,677
Warnings issued	1,009
Citations issued	714
Violations cited	4,831
Average number of violations per investigation	2.88
Penalties assessed	\$113,600
Compliance investigations (includes follow-ups and child labor)	294

Child Labor Activity Fiscal Year 1994-95

Child Labor investigations	70
Warnings issued	43
Citations issued	1
Violations cited	83

Office of Mediation for Organized Labor

Under §41-17-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976 (as amended), the LLR Director is responsible for assisting in the settlement of labor disputes (except railroads and express companies doing business by rail). Through the Office of Mediation for Organized Labor, the Director investigates industrial disputes, strikes, lockouts, and their causes, and tries to help the two sides reach agreement. When requested by both sides, mediators will act as arbitrators or appoint other arbitrators. In general, the Office of Mediation tries to eliminate the causes of misunderstanding and differences between unionized labor and management.

This Office also administers the South Carolina Right to Work Law (S. C. Code of Laws, §41-7-10 through §41-7-90), which provides that the rights of workers shall not be denied or abridged based upon their affiliation or non-affiliation with a labor union. During fiscal year 1994-95, there were 28 Right to Work complaints.

During fiscal year 1994-95, the Office of Mediation monitored and/or participated in 255 contract negotiations involving 17,944 union employees. One strike was reported that involved 14 union workers and a total of 13,664 lost work hours.

Mediation Activity Fiscal Year 1994-95

Contracts negotiated	255
Union workers involved in negotiations	17,944
Right to work cases	28
Strikes reported	1
Workers involved in strikes	14
Work hours lost due to strikes	13,664

Migrant Farm Workers Commission

The South Carolina Migrant Farm Workers Commission is charged with the responsibility "of improving the quality of life for migrant and seasonal farm workers and their families." The Office operates as a clearinghouse by facilitating, coordinating and monitoring programs and services provided by public and private organizations.

The Office works closely with all agencies addressing the laws pertaining to farmers, migrant and seasonal farm workers in South Carolina.

During fiscal year 1994-95, the Office accomplished the following goals:

1. Actively participated in addressing problems and issues that affected migrant and seasonal farm workers. These cases involved housing, hiring practices, emergency assistance, terminations, immigration, and referrals.
2. Continued to operate a toll-free telephone line with voice mail features in English and Spanish so that farm workers and individuals would have access to the Office when it is closed or the staff is out of the office.
3. Distributed the South Carolina OSHA poster and the *Services for Migrant Workers* handbook in English and Spanish, which include emergency numbers in order to help farm workers and growers secure services when needed.
4. Recruited and compiled a pool of translators who were available to assist organizations, agencies and individuals that serve farm workers and their families.

South Carolina Farm Workers Commission

Under South Carolina Code of Laws 46-43-20, 1976 (as amended), it is the responsibility of the South Carolina Migrant Farm Workers Commission "to maintain a continuing consultative examination and supervision of the migrant labor program relating to living conditions; health, housing and public assistance and the coordination of federal, state and local programs relating thereto."

SOUTH CAROLINA MIGRANT FARM WORKERS COMMISSION

Raymond Tumbleston, Chairman

Jim Griffin, Vice Chairman

Rev. Carroll Johnson <i>Southeast/Williamsburg Baptist Association</i> <i>Hemingway, S.C.</i>	Mary D. Ruschky <i>S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation</i> <i>Columbia, S.C.</i>
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Vegetable grower, Edisto Island, S. C.

Barbara Coleman
Telamon Corp., Columbia, S.C.

Dorothy Snowden
Tobacco grower, Hemingway, S.C.

D. Glen Kinard
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Apple grower, Gramling, S. C.

Lazetta Bruce
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Columbia, S.C.

Office of Occupational Safety and Health

Compliance Section

The purpose of the state Occupational Safety and Health Act is to assure working men and women a safe and healthful working environment. To see that the objectives of the Act are met, the Compliance section staff of 11 compliance officers and 10 industrial hygienists conducts inspections to ensure compliance with safety standards and initiates enforcement procedures in cases of noncompliance.

During fiscal year 1994-95, the Compliance section conducted 1,746 inspections. Safety inspections numbered 1,377 or 78.9 percent of this total. Health inspections numbered 369 or 21.1 percent of total inspections. These figures represent an 18 percent decrease in the total number of safety and health inspections compared to 1993-94 figures.

A further analysis of Compliance activity reveals the following:

- 1,201 planned inspections;
- 234 complaint inspections;
- 63 accident and fatality investigations, which involved 27 fatalities;
- 40 referral inspections;
- 49 unprogrammed related inspections;
- 114 follow-up inspections;
- 41 programmed related inspections; and
- 4 monitoring inspections.

A total of 5,267 violations were cited. The 2,756 other-than-serious violations accounted for 52.3 percent; 2,477 serious violations for 47 percent; and 31 repeat violations accounted for less than 1 percent of the total violations. The adjusted penalties for these violations amounted to \$1,265,476. Penalties collected during the fiscal year totaled \$1,182, 636.

There were three willful violations, which accounted for less than 1 percent of total violations.

OSH Compliance Activity Fiscal Year 1994-95

Number of Inspections	1,746
Case hours	22,561
Case hours per inspection	12.9
Number of Violations	
Serious	2,477
Repeat	31
Other	2,756
Willful	3
Number in Compliance	448
Percent in Compliance	25.7 percent
Employees Covered	117,927
Employees Covered per inspection	67.5
Percentages:	
Safety Inspections	78.9 percent
Planned inspections	68.8 percent
Accident and fatality investigations	3.6 percent
Complaints	13.4 percent
Referrals	2.3 percent
Follow-up inspections	6.5 percent
Unprogrammed related	2.8 percent
Programmed related	2.3 percent
Monitoring	0.2 percent
Health Inspections	21.1 percent

Technical Support Section

Integrated Management Information System

This Section has the responsibility to compile, analyze and prepare accurate data as necessary concerning all safety and health inspections and activities which will assist in the management of the state OSH program. Data collected is used to plan, direct and evaluate the OSH program and to provide objective information on which to base policy decisions.

Statistics Section

Annual Occupational Injuries and Illnesses Survey

This annual survey of work-related injuries and illnesses by Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) is conducted by the Technical Support Section in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. It is closely connected with South Carolina's OSH plan.

By utilizing formal sampling techniques and estimating procedures, only a relatively small percentage of the total private sector employers are required to report under this system. Data collected in this survey is based on uniform record keeping requirements, which are mandatory under provisions of both the 1970 Occupational Safety and Health Act and corresponding state laws.

Data compiled from the survey includes items relating to hours worked, nature of business, and injury/illness rates for various industry groups. These rates allow for comparisons, both between years and among industry groups, in order to measure the effectiveness of the state OSH plan and to provide a management tool for safety engineers and persons interested in measurements of work injuries and illnesses.

A total of 81,544 occupational injuries and illnesses were reported in 1993, a 5 percent increase from 1992. Of the recordable cases, about one out of every 14 workers in South Carolina experienced a job-related injury or illness. Of the 81,544 recordable cases, an estimated 32,716 cases involved lost workdays. About 95.5 percent of the total cases were occupational injuries and 4.5 percent were illnesses.

Questionnaires were mailed to 7,961 sample units. A relatively small portion of these were excluded because:

- The employer was no longer in operation;
- They were included in a report for another location;
- Duplicate survey forms were received for the same location; or
- The survey form was not mailable because of an inadequate address.

Original and follow-up mailings and telephone calls resulted in 6,156 usable questionnaires.

For further analysis and detailed data, please refer to the South Carolina Occupational Injuries and Illnesses Survey, which is published annually by the Technical Support Section, LLR.

Standards Section

Four public hearings were held during fiscal year 1994-95 to correct, amend, or revise 24 existing OSHA standards and to promulgate the following seven new standards:

- (1) New section 1910.1201 on Retention of DOT Markings, Placards and Labels;
- (2) New section 1917.29 on Retention of DOT Markings, Placards and Labels;
- (3) New section 1926.61 on Retention of DOT Markings, Placards and Labels;
- (4) New section 1910.266 on Logging Operations

- (5) New section 1910.1001 on Asbestos;
- (6) New section 1926.1101 on Asbestos; and
- (7) New section 1926.SUBPART M on Fall Protection.

Reason for telephone call	Number of calls
Standards information	2,416
Technical information/advice	183
Standards interpretation	886
General information	581
TOTAL	4,066

Legal Review Section

During fiscal year 1994-95, 140 inspections resulted in protested citations. These protests were docketed with the South Carolina Occupational Health and Safety Review Board for hearing under the State Administrative Procedures Act. Of the 140 protested cases, 114 were closed by agreement of the parties. Others were heard by the Board.

South Carolina Occupational Health and Safety Review Board

Under §41-15-600 through §41-15-640, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976 (as amended), it is the responsibility of the South Carolina Occupational Health and Safety Review Board to hear and decide contested cases resulting from citations, penalties, and time periods for abatement of citations issued by the Director of LLR.

The Board consists of six members, one from each Congressional district.

S.C. Occupational Health and Safety Review Board Activity Fiscal Year 1994-95

<u>Review Board Member</u>	<u>No. of Cases Assigned</u>
Thomas Webber, Jr.	11
Elaine Craft	12
Walter Riggs	6
Roy Hemphill	14
Declan Klingenhagen	27
Fred R. Rothaermel	6
TOTAL CASES	76

Current Board Members

Fred R. Rothaermel
Congressional District #1

Roy R. Hemphill
Congressional District #3

Elaine L. Craft
Congressional District #5

Declan R. Klingenhagen
Congressional District #2

M. Thomas Webber, Jr.
Congressional District #4

Walter M. Riggs
Congressional District #6

Office of OSHA Voluntary Programs

Formerly called the Division of Education, Training & Consultation, the Office of OSHA Voluntary Programs provides safety and health courtesy inspections, technical assistance, and safety and health training to aid the business community of South Carolina in voluntary compliance with all areas of the Occupational Safety and Health Act. Services are free to both public and private sector employers upon request. Training resource materials, brochures, booklets, audiovisual programs, seminars, lectures and extended courses have been developed to assist employers in providing their employees a safe and healthful work environment.

In October 1993, this office implemented an additional program called the Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) or Palmetto Star Program. This is a recognition program for manufacturing facilities that have exemplary safety and health records and have reduced injury and illness rates.

Education and Training Activity

Fiscal Year 1994-95

INDUSTRY TYPE	# OF TRAINING PROGRAMS
General Industry	88
Construction	13
Health	264
Local Government	43
State Government	33
TOTAL	441
Contact hours	16,472
# of Trainees	12,083

Consultation Activity

Fiscal Year 1994-95

Requests received	439
Total consultative visits	432
•Courtesy inspections	363
•Technical assistance	47
•Follow ups	18
•Other (training and education)	4
Total: Establishments visited	432
Total: Serious violations	3,052
Total: All hazards corrected	5,282
Employees affected	18,897
Workplaces achieving voluntary compliance	430 (two referred to compliance)
Samples submitted	316
Laboratory analysis	1,077

DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING

Board of Accountancy

The Board's mission is to establish and maintain a high standard of integrity, dignity, and quality in the profession of public accountancy in order to protect the welfare of the public. To fulfill this mission, the Board examines applicants and issues certificates and licenses to practice public accounting to certified public accountants, public accountants, and accounting practitioners. The Board may discipline certificate and license holders, prescribe rules and regulations, investigate complaints, and, in general, regulate the practice of accounting in the state.

The Board added 235 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 3,993. The Board handled 122 inspections/investigations and 27 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 209 applicants passed the examination and 823 failed.

Board members: Randolph B. Epting, chairman; Ray F. Faulkenberry, CPA, vice chairman; Austin M. Sheheen CPA, secretary/treasurer; Gale K. Bell, Accounting Practitioner; Charles W. Schulze, CPA; Robert T. Foster, PA; Donald L. Hunter, CPA; Anne H. Ross, CPA; and Earl Mitchell.

Board of Architectural Examiners

The Board's role is to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of South Carolina by registering and regulating architects to ensure competent practitioners in the profession. The Board establishes standards of conduct, investigates complaints, and engages in disciplinary action when necessary.

The Board added 329 licenses, making the total licenses issued 3,177. It handled 47 investigations and 31 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 34 applicants passed the examination and 86 failed.

Board members: Marshall F. Clarke, FAIA, chairman; James F. Barker, FAIA, professor/architecture, vice chairman; T. John Gilmore, AIA, secretary/treasurer; W. Jefferson Leath, Esq.; Stephen A. Usry, AIA.; and Louis P. Batson III.

Athletic Commission

The Commission directs, manages and controls boxing, wrestling, sparring events, exhibitions, contests, and performances occurring in South Carolina. The Commission stresses protecting the participants of athletic events. It investigates complaints and provides disciplinary actions whenever necessary. It also licenses trainers, announcers, managers, wrestlers, promoters, judges, matchmakers, timekeepers, referees, boxers, kick boxers, and seconds.

The Commission added 752 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 1,024. The Commission handled 120 inspections/investigations and 76 complaint cases.

Commission members: John H. Holladay Jr., chairman; A. Craig Drennon, treasurer; Robert H. Bishop, vice chairman; Chris G. Hitopoulos, chief commissioner; Franklin M. Stallings; and Paul H. Kennmore, Jr.

Auctioneers' Commission

The Commission is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Auctioneers' Law, which establishes specific standards of conduct for practitioners to protect the public. Auctioneers, apprentice auctioneers, and auction firms are licensed and regulated.

The Commission added 93 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 1,179. It handled 22 inspections and investigations and 56 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 90 applicants passed the examination and 26 failed.

Commission members: Ivan Broadwell, auctioneer, chairman; Robert M. Weatherly, auctioneer, vice chairman; Mae W. Buzhardt, secretary; Wendell Christopher, auctioneer; and John L. Atkins, auctioneer.

Board of Barber Examiners

This Board is responsible for licensing all barbers, barber shops, barber colleges and instructors. The Board also is responsible for conducting examinations of barbers and instructors. Regular inspections are made in every barber shop and barber school in South Carolina. In addition, the Board investigates complaints and provides discipline when necessary.

The Board added 484 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 5,720. The Board handled 2,869 inspections and investigations and 19 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 380 applicants passed the examination and 149 failed.

Board members: Edwin C. Barnes, barber, chairman; William D. Norris, barber, vice chairman; Napoleon Rogers, barber; Karen Scott, barber; and Ben Deluca Jr., retired publisher.

Board for Barrier Free Design

This Board was created to establish and enforce standards necessary to eliminate architectural barriers to entry and use of public and government buildings by citizens with physical disabilities. Its purpose is to encourage and enable persons with disabilities to achieve maximum personal independence, become gainfully employed, use and enjoy all public and governmental buildings and facilities, and participate fully in all aspects of society. The Board investigates complaints and provides discipline when necessary.

The Board handled 682 inspections/investigations and 37 complaint cases.

Board members: Bill R. East, attorney, chairman; Paul R. Miller, architect, vice chairman; Willie O. Herbert, building official; Walter M. Patrick, Jr.; Charles Larosa, commissioner Voc. Rehab., ex-officio; Marion Dorsey, state engineer, ex-officio; and Adrienne R. Youmans, deputy director of LLR's Division of Professional and Occupational Licensing, ex-officio.

Building Codes Council

The Building Codes Council, created in 1972, approves building and construction codes submitted for adoption by municipalities and counties. The S.C. Modular Board of Appeals was created to hear appeals from a licensing program for all modular construction manufacturing facilities in the state.

In 1994-95, the Council reviewed and approved 208 models, issued 68 manufacturers licenses and 85 representatives licenses, licensed 68 manufacturing facilities, and inspected 50 facilities. In addition, 1,318 labels were issued this past fiscal year.

Council members: Frank P. Hodge Jr., Building Officials Association of South Carolina, chairman; Arthur L. Cummings, S.C. Association of Counties, vice chairman; William Anderson, architect; Curtis Rye, electric utility representative; Sally Paul, plumbing industry representative; Kenneth P. Padgett, gas industry representative; George D. Matthews, Building Trade Council representative; Caldwell R. Dial Jr., AGA-Carolinas branch; Lloyd D. Schumann, disabled representative; James L. Anderson, S.C. Association of Home Builders; and Marion Dorsey, S.C. chief eng./ex-officio.

Board of Chiropractic Examiners

The Board was created to protect the health and safety of the public by establishing qualifications for entry into the profession and by disciplining those chiropractic practitioners who violate South Carolina laws governing their profession.

The Board added 87 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 956. It investigated 48 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 44 applicants passed the examination and 89 failed.

Board members: Paul R. Johnson Jr., D.C., chairman; Henry W. Hulteen, D.C., vice chairman; Michael L. Coon, D.C.; Leon Sigler, D.C.; Lawrence F. Jones, general public member; William C. Decken, D.C.; Richard E. Plummer, D.C.; and Richard C. Mooneyham, D.C.

Contractors' Licensing Board

This Board's mission is to regulate the practice of general and mechanical contracting, burglar and fire alarm system businesses and fire protection sprinkler contractors within South Carolina. The Board investigates complaints and disciplines contractors if necessary.

The Board added 801 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 7,891. It handled 89 inspections/investigations and 114 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 689 applicants passed the examination and 503 failed.

Board members: Harry R. Kent, building contractor, chairman; Michael W. Grady, general public member, vice chairman; Gary W. Shelton, utility contractor; Russell C. Ashmore, highway contractor; W. Frank Walker, electrical; I. Carolyn Briscoe, general public member; Curtis Head, burglar/fire alarm contractor; and Lewis M. Caswell, HVAC contractor.

Board of Cosmetology

The Board of Cosmetology licenses and regulates cosmetologists, cosmetology instructors and schools, estheticians and manicurists. The Board investigates complaints and disciplines when appropriate.

The Board added 2,444 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 24,328. The Board handled 6,208 inspections/investigations and 168 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 1,697 applicants passed the examination and 686 failed.

Board members: Wanda C. Hightower, cosmetologist, chairperson; Linda F. Ham, public member, vice chairperson; Pansy H. Stone, cosmetologist; Tommie Brant, public member; Alan T. Ray, cosmetologist; and L. Ray Gambrell, cosmetologist.

Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Associate Counselors, and Marital and Family Therapists

The Board maintains quality counseling services in South Carolina by licensed qualified professionals. The Board provides examinations, and licenses counselors and marital and family therapists who have received appropriate education, experience and supervision, and who are competent in meeting the counseling needs of the people of South Carolina. The Board investigates complaints and disciplines if necessary.

It added 179 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 1,803. The Board handled 20 inspections/investigations and 10 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 121 applicants passed the examination and 12 failed.

Board members: Chrys J. Harris, Ph.D, professional counselor, president; Kathryn M. Sharpe, Ph.D, marital/family therapist, vice president; Gloria Busch Johnson, professional counselor, secretary/treasurer; William Lloyd Birch, Ph.D., marital/family therapist; and Wilmer Dove, ED.S., professional counselor.

Board of Dentistry

The Board of Dentistry oversees examinations, licensing certification, annual re-registration and regulation of dentists, dental specialists, dental hygienists, and dental laboratory technicians in the state. It investigates any complaints and disciplines if needed.

The Board added 229 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 3,627. The Board handled inspections and investigations and 38 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 222 applicants passed the examination and 33 failed.

Board members: Vaughn E. Bullard, dentist, president; Ray A. Langston, dentist, vice president; Benjamin T. Kays, dentist, secretary; John C. Cosby Jr., dentist; Louis E. Shepard Jr., dentist; Malinda M. Lindsay, dental hygienist; Gordon W. Bray Jr., dentist; J. Kenneth Nickles, dentist, and Roxanne D. Wilson, public member.

Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

The Board administers laws and regulations governing the practice of engineering and land surveying in the state. The Board's primary goals are: to ensure that only properly qualified and competent engineers and land surveyors are licensed to practice; to promote technical competency and ethical standards consistent with the Rules of Professional Conduct applicable to engineers and land surveyors; and to appropriately discipline practitioners who are found guilty of violating laws governing engineering and surveying.

The Board added 1,299 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 26,021. The Board handled 266 investigations and 266 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 801 applicants passed the examination and 477 failed.

Board members: William T. Knowles, P.E., chairman; A. Cleveland Gillette, P.L.S., vice chairman; Jack C. McCormac, P.E. and P.L.S., secretary; L.G. "Skip" Lewis, P.E.; James T. McCarter, P.E.; Ernest B. Rogers, P.E.; William A. Whitworth, P.L.S.; and James Dominick, public member.

Environmental Certification Board

This purpose of this Board is to license qualified individuals to protect the environment for the citizens of the state. These licensees include: water treatment plants, waste water treatment plants, pools and spas, and well drillers. If necessary, the Board will discipline individuals who do not comply with requirements.

The Board added 2,187 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 11,265. The Board handled 0 inspections/investigations and two complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 2,745 applicants passed the examination and 1,376 failed.

Board members: Thomas P. Wright, representative, teaching institution, chairman; Elizabeth M. Royal, bio. wastewater oper., vice chairman; John H. Jacques, water operator; John L. Locklair, water operator; A. Drennon Park, representative/S.C. Water Resources; William C. Rowell, representative/S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control; William L. Watkins; Donald A. Duncan, well driller; and Jerry C. Hatfield, P/C wastewater operator.

Board of Registration for Foresters

This Board, established in May 1961, registers those who are qualified by education and experience to perform professional forestry work for private landowners, wood-using industries, state and federal agencies, and other woodland owners. It receives and investigates complaints and follows through with appropriate actions against those who violate registration laws.

The Board added 52 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 858. The Board handled 14 inspections/investigations and two complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 68 applicants passed the examination and 22 failed.

Board members: Kenny P. Funderburke, forester, chairman; Charles F. Moore II, forester,

secretary; Dr. Robert R. Taylor Jr.; Jerry D. Henderson, forester; Dr. Larry R. Nelson, vice chairman; and Don M. Handley, forester.

Board of Funeral Service

The Board of Funeral Service regulates and prescribes standards for funeral service, including embalmers and funeral directors. The Board issues funeral home permits and licenses, provides regular inspections for funeral homes, and keeps records of apprentices. The Board maintains a file of any public complaints concerning licensees and disposition of complaints.

The Board added 91 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 1,737. The Board handled 788 inspections/investigations and 29 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 75 applicants passed the examination and 37 failed.

Board members: Cecil T. Sandifer Jr., embalmer-funeral director, president; Raymond F. Davis Jr., embalmer-funeral director, vice president; Laine D. Dunbar, embalmer-funeral director, secretary; Robert K. Kiser, embalmer-funeral director; Virginia Priester, embalmer-funeral director; Thomas J. "Joe" Wamer, embalmer-funeral director; Rudolph Tompkins, embalmer-funeral director; and M. Sidney Belk, embalmer-funeral director.

Board of Registration for Geologists

This Board administers and enforces South Carolina law governing the conduct of geologists. It evaluates qualifications, receives complaints, provides discipline and supervises applicant examinations for licensure.

It added 73 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 791. The Board handled two inspections/investigations and 0 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 32 applicants passed the examination and 39 failed.

Board members: R. Craig Kennedy, geologist, chairman; David Nichols, geologist; Charles R. Sherman, geologist; and Mark L. Wright.

Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators

It is the duty of the Board to develop and enforce standards for individuals who work as nursing home or community residential care facility administrators. The Board licenses qualified individuals, investigates complaints and takes disciplinary action where required.

The Board added 125 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 904. The Board handled seven complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 125 passed the examination and 41 failed.

Board members: Walter Hickman, nursing home administrator, chairman; William H. Bundy, nursing home administrator, vice chairman; Betty Tolbert, residential care-profit, secretary; Ethel Hughes, nursing home proprietary; C. William Trawick, residential care administrator; Catherine Beard, residential administrator; Pat Tanner, consumer nursing

home; Shirley Fishburne, consumer RCF; and John McNeely, ex-officio.

Manufactured Housing Board

This Board enforces and coordinates federal and state laws governing the manufactured housing (mobile home) industry. The Board licenses all manufacturers, their representatives, retail dealerships, and sales persons who sell, or offer for sale, manufactured housing in the state. The Board is the state administrative agency for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is required to investigate and enforce manufactured housing construction and safety standards. Administrative staff receives and investigates consumer complaints against licensees.

The Board added 635 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 1,641. It handled 3,624 inspections/investigations and 478 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 400 passed the Board's examinations.

Board members: Ralph L. Camp Jr., vice president MFG Hsg Mfg, chairman; Randolph Hope Sr., vice chairman; H. Barry Anderson, fire chief; Ralph W. McLendon III, formerly Mfg home dealer; Carlton Simons, banker; Paul H. Laurent, salesperson; L. Richard Nixon; Lewis Lee, State Fire Marshal, ex-officio; and S. Carroll Suttles Jr.

Board of Medical Examiners

The primary mission of the Board is to protect the public and fulfill two major functions: licensing physicians, physician assistants and respiratory care practitioners; and investigating and disciplining licensees found to be engaged in misconduct as defined in the Medical Practice Act. This includes illegal, unethical or incompetent conduct.

The Board added 1,377 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 11,305. The Board handled 310 investigations and 310 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 218 applicants passed examinations and 26 failed.

Board members: Ben C. Pendarvis, M.D., president; Hartwell Z. Hildebrand, M.D., vice president; James D. Whitehead Jr., M.D., secretary; Louis E. Costa, M.D.; Elizabeth S. Christensen, lay member; James R. Edinger, D.O.; James S. Garner Jr., M.D.; Stephen I. Schabel, M.D.; James G. Wallace, M.D.; and Robert S. Clarke Jr., M.D.

Modular Board of Appeals

The S.C. Modular Board of Appeals was created to hear appeals from a licensing program for all modular construction manufacturing facilities in the state.

Board of Nursing

The purpose of the Board of Nursing is to assure the safe and effective practice of nursing in South Carolina. The Board licenses qualified individuals as registered nurses or licensed practical nurses. It also registers advance practice nurses to include certified registered nurse anesthetists, certified nurse midwives, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists.

practicing in the extended role. Complaints are investigated, and disciplinary action taken when necessary.

The Board added 4,263 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 43,247. The Board handled 307 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 2,261 applicants passed the examination and 22 failed.

Board members: Kristi H. Williams, R.N., president, Mary Ann Reichenbach, R.N., vice president; Raynette H. McKinney, R.N., secretary; Barbara W. Winn, L.P.N.; Tammy D. Dodgens-Sorrells, L.P.N.; Robert E. Webster, consumer; Kathleen M. Crispin, R.N.; and Melodie A. Olsen, R.N.

Board of Occupational Therapy

This Board examines and issues licenses to qualified occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants. The Board also investigates complaints involving therapists and disciplines practitioners when necessary.

The Board added 195 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 843. It handled two inspections/investigations and two complaint cases.

Board members: David Hamilton, occupational therapist, chairman; Jan Martin, occupational therapist; Beth Reigart, occupational therapist, vice chairman; Janine Phelps, occupational therapy assistant; and Wilma L. Kelley, general public member, secretary.

Board of Examiners in Opticianry

The mission of the Board is to administer, coordinate and enforce the provisions of the S.C. Opticianry Law. The Board examines and licenses opticians in the state and administers examinations appropriate to the education and experience of the candidate to determine his or her qualifications to adequately serve the public as an optician. It also investigates complaints and disciplines opticians if necessary.

The Board added 105 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 700. The Board handled five inspections/investigations and seven complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 48 applicants passed the examination and 26 failed.

Board members: Lee G. Carter, optician, chairman; Ray A. Sansbury, optician, vice chairman; Marvin E. Ard, optician, secretary; Charles Milton Corley, optician; Daniel B. Gosnell, optician; Wendy C. Brawley, consumer; and Charles F. Mabelitini, consumer.

Board of Examiners in Optometry

The Board's purpose is to examine and license optometrists for the right to practice in the state. For that reason, it investigates any complaints against optometrists and disciplines them when necessary. The Board controls the quality of vision care that is rendered to the public and administers examinations appropriate to the education and experience of the candidates to determine whether or not they are qualified to practice optometry. The Board requires all optometrists to acquire continuing education credits to maintain their licenses and to keep abreast of the latest developments in the profession.

The Board added 19 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 556. It handled 10 inspections/investigations and 10 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 34 applicants passed the examination and seven failed.

Board members: Howard W. Tucker, optometrist, president; Timothy A. Stafford, optometrist, vice president; Don C. Clark, consumer; Pauline N. DeBerry, consumer; Kenneth M. Nash, optometrist; Wayne M. Cannon, optometrist; and William C. Oliver, optometrist.

Board of Pharmacy

The Board of Pharmacy protects the health and safety of the public by enforcing laws and regulations governing pharmacies; performing routine inspections of drug outlets and pharmacies; issuing licenses to pharmacists and permits to drug outlets and pharmacies; administering the national pharmacy examinations and the state law examination to qualified graduates of accredited pharmacy colleges; administering the reciprocity process to qualified pharmacists from other states; receiving and investigating complaints; holding administrative hearings against pharmacists and permit holders; and developing laws and regulations necessary in regulating the practice of pharmacy.

The Board added 512 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 6,528. The Board handled 730 inspections/investigations and 67 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 198 applicants passed the examination and 21 failed.

Board members: Charles C. Turner, registered pharmacist, chairman; Robert L. Spires, registered pharmacist, vice chairman; Hubert F. Mobley, registered pharmacist; Ronnie W. Cromer, registered pharmacist; Carol V. Bateman, registered pharmacist; Louis H. Hutto Jr., registered pharmacist; Robert T. Moss Jr., registered pharmacist; and Charles L. Appleby Jr., lay member.

Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

The Board administers, coordinates and enforces regulations relating to physical therapy in South Carolina. This involves the registration of all physical therapists and physical therapists assistants. The Board evaluates qualifications of applicants and investigates persons engaged in the practice of physical therapy in order to protect the public from unauthorized and unqualified practitioners.

It added 373 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 2,043. The Board handled six complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 161 applicants passed the examination and four failed.

Board members: E. Dargan Ervin Jr. physical therapist, president; James Ryan Jr., physical therapist assistant, secretary/treasurer; Sue E. Bowersock, physical therapist; Serena R. Clark, M.D., public member; and Eric A. Schmidt, physical therapist.

Pilotage Commission

The Commission issues licenses to qualified harbor pilots for the Ports of Charleston, Port Royal, Georgetown, and Little River. Applicants must first successfully complete an appren-

ticeship program before receiving a license. The Commission also investigates complaints.

The Commission added new licenses, making the total licenses issued 21.

For fiscal year 1994-95, two applicants took the examination.

Commission members: William Betha Jr., pilot, chairman; F. Brooks Royster, pilot; Robert H. Lockwood, captain; Randal Stoney Jr., pilot; Benjamin Flowers, pilot.; Brad Waring, Port of Charleston, pilot; Peter Cotter, Port of Beaufort, pilot; and Rene Cathou, Port of Georgetown, pilot.

Board of Podiatry Examiners

This Board issues licenses to qualified practitioners in podiatric medicine who have received proper training and education in the field. The Board investigates consumer complaints and provides discipline if necessary.

It added 10 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 102. It handled eight complaint cases.

Board members: Carla B. Gerstenberg, podiatrist, chairperson; Keith C. Fox, podiatrist, secretary; Bruce H. Wellmon, podiatrist; and Ralph E. Payne, podiatrist.

Board of Examiners in Psychology

The Board regulates practitioners of psychology and accepts applications and holds exams for candidates to practice psychology in South Carolina. The Board has adopted a code of ethics governing licensed psychologists. The Board investigates complaints and provides discipline.

The Board added 16 new licenses, making the total licenses issued, 420. The Board handled 17 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 16 applicants passed the examination and two failed.

Board members: Shirley A. Vickery, school psychologist, chairman; Partick M. O'Neil, clinical psychologist, vice chairman; Avie Rainwater Jr., clinical psychologist, secretary; Roger B. Bowersock, counseling psychologist, treasurer; Connie Lee Best, clinical psychologist; Paul L. Doerring, counseling psychologist; and David E. Barrett, exp. psychologist.

Board of Pyrotechnic Safety

This Board assures compliance with state laws and regulations pertaining to the storage and sale of pyrotechnics (fireworks) within the state. Staff issues licenses to pyrotechnic wholesale distributors, wholesale storage facilities and jobbers of fireworks doing business in the state. It provides technical interpretations, performs inspections, receives complaints and investigates when necessary, and provides other assistance to local enforcement officials responsible for assuring that all facilities which store and offer for sale pyrotechnic products meet state law.

It added eight new licenses, making the total licenses issued 35. The Board conducted 633

inspections and handled 35 complaint cases.

Board members: Bobby G. Fletcher, public member, chairman; Howard S. Gainer Jr., public member, vice chairman; Donnie B. Malphrus, retailer pyrotechnics; John B. Armstrong, public member; Vernon Tanner, fire service; and Kirby W. Walker, law enforcement.

Real Estate Appraisers Board

The Board establishes qualifications for appraiser certification, licensure and registration; administers examinations; investigates complaints; provides discipline; and regulates all other matters pertaining to the conduct and activities of real estate appraisers.

The Board added 209 new licenses, making the total licenses issued 2,101. The Board handled 28 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 90 applicants passed the examination and 31 failed.

Board members: John M. Little, real estate appraiser, chairman; Herbert R. Sass, real estate appraiser; James H. Robinson, real estate appraiser; Lamar Mason, real estate appraiser; Joseph C. Reynolds, mortgage lender; Evelyn F. Causey, public member; and Dan M. Salle', real estate broker.

Real Estate Commission

Created by law to regulate the real estate industry, the purpose of the South Carolina Real Estate Commission is to protect the public's interest in real estate transactions. In discharge of its responsibility, the South Carolina Real Estate Commission determines the qualifications for issuance and holding a license, ensures licensee compliance with license laws, and investigates complaints against licensees and disciplines those licensees determined to be in violation of the license law.

The Commission added 4,254 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 30,610.

The Commission handled 885 inspections of licensees' offices and completed 449 complaint investigations and 51 license application investigations.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 3,784 applicants passed the examination and 949 failed.

Board members: Manning E. Biggers; Frank A. Burgdorf, vice chairman; Betty V. Carter, secretary; Frank P. Hammon, chairman; Robert R. Heos; Charles L. Johnson; Roy Peavey; Gerald S. Tompkins; and W. Calvin White.

Residential Builders Commission

The Commission licenses all residential builders and registers all specialty contractors in residential construction in the state. Additionally, the commission receives and investigates complaints from home owners who are having problems with builders or specialty contractors and if necessary, sees that corrections are made.

The Commission added 3,053 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 19,569. It handled 6,360 inspections/ investigations and 1,394 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 670 applicants passed the examination and 506 failed.

Board members: Stewart Mungo, builder, chairman; Carl L. Bailey, specialty contractor; Levis L. Gilstrap; Gerald E. Moore, consumer; Michael C. Williams; Eugene Beckmen; and John C. Curl.

Board of Social Work Examiners

This Board reviews applicants' credentials and licenses social workers in the state. The Board licenses four levels of social workers: temporary social workers; baccalaureate social workers; master social workers; and independent social workers. The Board investigates complaints about social workers and disciplines them when necessary.

The Board added 271 new licenses, making the total issued 3,775. It handled 27 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-1995, 274 applicants passed the examination and 100 failed.

Board members: Bomar Edmonds, LISW, president; E.L. "Jimmy" Eckles, LBSW, vice president; Yvonne C. Stewart, LBSW, secretary; Jane A. Anker, LISW; the Rev. John Brown, public member; and William Deemer, treasurer.

Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

This Board is responsible for issuing licenses to individuals to practice speech/language pathology or audiology. It investigates complaints and disciplines when necessary.

It added 163 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 816. It handled four inspections/investigations.

Board members: Virginia Corley, audiologist, chairperson; Martha McDade, speech-language pathologist, vice chairperson; Eleanor Gatch, speech-language pathologist; Leslie S. Costello, audiologist; and Yvonne G. Williams.

Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

The Board aims to protect citizens by ensuring that only qualified and competent veterinary practitioners and animal health technicians operate in South Carolina. The Board establishes requirements and enforces those requirements. It investigates complaints and disciplines when necessary.

The Board added 49 new licensees, making the total licenses issued 1,084. It investigated 27 complaint cases.

For fiscal year 1994-95, 60 applicants passed the examination and five failed.

Board members: Nancy M. Hughston, D.V.M., chairman; H. Earle McDaniel Jr., D.V.M., vice chairman; Donald T. Gamble, D.V.M., secretary; James H. Southard, D.V.M.; Albert L. Glenn, D.V.M.; Susan T. Glenn, D.V.M.; Barbara M. Walsh, public member; and Larry A. Suber, D.V.M.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

The function of the Office of Public Information is to keep the public aware of the LLR's programs, activities and services. In addition to answering questions from the media and the general public on every aspect of the agency, this office publishes and distributes the Agency's posters, booklets, newsletters, and other publications.

In response to requests from workers, licensees, members of the fire service, the public and businesses, the Office of Public Information provides copies of various agency publications. The office also fulfills the department's obligations under the state's Freedom of Information Act by providing information from the Agency's files in response to requests from the news media, businesses, workers and other interested persons. The Office of Public Information also is responsible for publication of the Agency's Annual Report, administration of the Safety Achievement Awards Program, and management of the S.C. OSHA Subscription Service.

POSTERS

Division of Labor

SCLLR-1	Labor Law Abstract (required of all employers)
SCLLR-5 SH-94	Occupational Safety and Health (required of all employers)
SCLLR-5	Occupational Safety and Health (Spanish version)

S.C. Workers' Compensation Commission

NOTICE	"Workers' Compensation Works for You" (must be posted by all employers subject to Workers' Compensation laws)
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S.C. Employment Security Commission

UCI-104	"Workers Pay No Part of the Cost for Job Insurance" (required of all employers)
UCI-105	"If You Become Unemployed" (required of all employers)

FORMS

OSHA Form 200 - Log and Summary of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses
OSHA Form 101 - Supplementary Record of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses
Elevator Registration Forms

PUBLICATIONS

S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Annual Report
S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Directory of Programs
South Carolina Labor Laws
S.C. Occupational Safety and Health Standards Additions for General Industry and Construction
Occupational Safety and Health Program Directives
S.C. OSHA Information Memoranda
S.C. OSHAGRAM
S.C. Occupational Injury and Illness Survey
S.C. Elevator and Amusement Ride Codes and Regulations
Occupational Health and Safety Review Board Rules of Procedure
Employee/Employer Rights and Responsibilities Under South Carolina and Federal Law
Understanding S.C. OSHA

Additional publications from the Division of Fire and Life Safety and the Division of Professional and Occupational Licensing are available. For more information, call (803) 734-9600.

S.C. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR LICENSING AND REGULATION 1994-95 FISCAL YEAR EXPENDITURES

	Fiscal Year 1993-94	Fiscal Year 1994-95
Division of Labor	3,967,467	4,330,862
Division of Fire and Life Safety	2,654,516	3,462,539
Division of Professional and Occupational Licensing	8,656,909	9,346,005
Dvision of Administration	1,447,682	2,220,135
<u>Employer Contributions</u>	<u>2,460,805</u>	<u>2,766,926</u>
Total Labor, Licensing and Regulation	19,187,379	22,126,467



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Total number of documents printed	<u>500</u>
Cost per unit	\$ <u>1.58</u>
Total printing cost	\$ <u>790.52</u>

